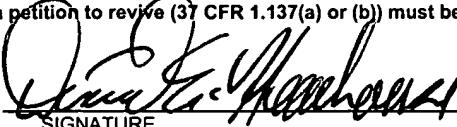


TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 1693.23 US National U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 107538754
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/US2004/008638	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 18 March 2004	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 18 March 2003
TITLE OF INVENTION Dual, Coupled Check Valve for Direct Drive, Reversible Power Sources for Hydraulic Systems		
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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
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**EXPRESS REQUEST TO BEGIN NATIONAL EXAMINATION PROCEDURES OF INTERNATIONAL
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[35 U.S.C. § 371(f)]

Enclosed please find Original and duplicate of completed Form PTO-1390 together with the following documents:

1. Copy of Amendment to Claims of the International Application identified above. [Copies of this amendment have been previously provided by the Applicant to the U.S. Examining Officer, Thomas E. Lazo. via facsimile.]
2. Copy of the Notification Concerning the Filing of Amendments of the Claims Applicant received from The International Bureau of WIPO.
3. Copy of General Power of Attorney filed with the International Application.

A copy of the international application is not furnished because it was originally filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office. 37 CFR 1.495(b),

The oath or declaration of the inventor is not furnished because a declaration in compliance with 37 CFR § 1.497 was previously submitted in the international application under PCT Rule 4.17(iv). 37 CFR § 1.495(c)(1)(ii).

The Applicant designated the USPTO as the International Searching Authority (ISA) and as the International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA), and has paid all required fees. The USPTO-IPEA has acknowledged receipt of the Applicant's IPEA Demand on 12 October 2004. Fees for initiating National Stage proceedings were calculated on Form PTO-1390 based on the above premises.

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Very truly yours,



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